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Trade Policy Monitoring

Ban on Imports of Poultry Meat and Eggs from Texas and Delaware Lifted

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Report Highlights:

On January 11, 2005, Qatar lifted its ban on the imports of poultry meat and eggs from the states of Texas and Delaware. On June 8, 2004 Qatar had lifted the ban on imports of poultry meat and table eggs from the United States with the exception of the states of Texas and Delaware. With the present decision, imports of poultry meat and egg products are permitted in Qatar from all the United States. Qatar imports about \$600,000 worth of U.S. poultry meat annually.

Includes PSD Changes: No Includes Trade Matrix: No Unscheduled Report Dubai [TC1] [QA] On January 11, 2005, per Circular No. 2/2005, Qatar's Ministry of Public Health lifted its ban on the imports of poultry meat and table eggs from the states of Texas and Delaware. On June 8, 2004 Qatar had lifted the ban on imports of poultry meat and egg products from the United States, with the exception of the states of Texas and Delaware. With the present decision, imports of poultry meat and egg products are permitted in Qatar from all the United States. Qatar imports about \$600,000 worth of U.S. poultry meat annually.

Following is the text of the above-mentioned Circular, translated from Arabic:

Quote:

Ministry of Public Health P.O.Box 42 Doha, Qatar

Circular No. 2/2005

To: The All the Heads of Ports Health and Food Control Sections. Doha.

With reference to Circular No. 10/2004 dated 8/6/2004 from the Directorate of Preventive Medicine, which limited the import ban on poultry meat and eggs from the United States of America to the states of Texas and Delaware only, and based on the recommendation of the Joint Food Control Committee during their meeting No. 2/2005 on 9/1/2005.

It was decided to lift the ban on the above-mentioned states as of this date.

(signed)

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